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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION of
Inventor(s): Mills

Group Art Unit: 1754

Appln. No.: 09/110,678

Examiner: Langel

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Title: INORGANIC HYDROGEN COMPOUNDS AND APPLICATIONS THEREOF

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AMENDMENT

Hon. Asst. Commissioner
of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 10, 1999 please amend the subject application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please delete claim 1 without prejudice.

Please add new claims 2 - 130 as follows:

2. A compound having a formula $[KH_mKCO_3]_n$ wherein m and n are each an integer and the hydrogen content H_m of the compound comprises at least one increased binding energy hydrogen species.
3. A compound having a formula $[KH_mKNO_3]_n^+ nX^-$ wherein m and n are each an integer, X is a singly negatively charged anion, and the hydrogen content of H_m of the compound comprises at least one increased binding energy hydrogen species.
4. A compound having a formula $[KHKNO_3]_n$ wherein n is an integer and the hydrogen content H of the compound comprises at least one said binding energy hydrogen species.

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